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Notice of Intent to Submit a Health Care Reform Proposal

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If known at this time, please provide a three-sentence description of the proposal that addresses what is being proposed, who and or what in the health system would be affected, and what the basic approach to reform would be.

My proposal is primarily based on a single-payer model, like that proposed nationally in H.R. 676. I intend to temper that with characteristics unique to Colorado so that no citizens, including children, rural residents, minorities, unemployed, the working poor, or chronically ill will go without access to quality care nor be negatively impacted due to age, illness, or ability to pay. Although the basic approach would be through conversion of health insurance premiums to a tax revenue, I will try to include a short-term transition strategy to minimize the disruption in the private insurance market.